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VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY - CHAPTER

2 An Act to amend and reenact § 58.1-322 of the Code of Virginia, relating to Virginia taxable income of 3 residents.

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Approved

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 6

7 1. That § 58.1-322 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows: 8

§ 58.1-322. Virginia taxable income of residents.

9 A. The Virginia taxable income of a resident individual means his federal adjusted gross income for 10 the taxable year, which excludes combat pay for certain members of the Armed Forces of the United States as provided in § 112 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and with the modifications 11 12 specified in this section. 13

B. To the extent excluded from federal adjusted gross income, there shall be added:

14 1. Interest, less related expenses to the extent not deducted in determining federal income, on 15 obligations of any state other than Virginia, or of a political subdivision of any such other state unless created by compact or agreement to which Virginia is a party; 16

2. Interest or dividends, less related expenses to the extent not deducted in determining federal 17 18 taxable income, on obligations or securities of any authority, commission or instrumentality of the 19 United States, which the laws of the United States exempt from federal income tax but not from state 20 income taxes; 21

3. Unrelated business taxable income as defined by § 512 of the Internal Revenue Code;

22 4. The amount of a lump sum distribution from a qualified retirement plan, less the minimum 23 distribution allowance and any amount excludable for federal income tax purposes which is excluded 24 from federal adjusted gross income solely by virtue of an individual's election to use the averaging provisions under § 402 of the Internal Revenue Code; and 25 26

5. through 7. [Repealed.]

27 8. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1990, and before January 1, 1994, any amount 28 of self-employment tax deduction under § 164 (f) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

29 9. The amount required to be included in income for the purpose of computing the partial tax on an 30 accumulation distribution pursuant to § 667 of the Internal Revenue Code. 31

C. To the extent included in federal adjusted gross income, there shall be subtracted:

32 1. Income derived from obligations, or on the sale or exchange of obligations, of the United States 33 and on obligations or securities of any authority, commission or instrumentality of the United States to 34 the extent exempt from state income taxes under the laws of the United States including, but not limited 35 to, stocks, bonds, treasury bills, and treasury notes, but not including interest on refunds of federal taxes, 36 interest on equipment purchase contracts, or interest on other normal business transactions.

37 2. Income derived from obligations, or on the sale or exchange of obligations of this Commonwealth 38 or of any political subdivision or instrumentality of this Commonwealth. 39

3. [Repealed.]

40 4. Benefits received under Title II of the Social Security Act and other benefits subject to federal 41 income taxation solely pursuant to § 86 of the Internal Revenue Code.

42 4a. Through December 31, 2000, the same amount used in computing the federal credit allowed 43 under § 22 of the Internal Revenue Code by a retiree under age sixty-five 65 who qualified for such 44 retirement on the basis of permanent and total disability and who is a qualified individual as defined in 45 § 22 (b) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code; however, any person who claims a deduction under subdivision 5 of subsection D of this section may not also claim a subtraction under this subdivision. 46

4b. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2001, up to \$20,000 of disability income, as 47 48 defined in § 22 (c) (2) (B) (iii) of the Internal Revenue Code; however, any person who claims a deduction under subdivision 5 of subsection D of this section may not also claim a subtraction under 49 50 this subdivision.

51 5. The amount of any refund or credit for overpayment of income taxes imposed by the 52 Commonwealth or any other taxing jurisdiction.

53 6. The amount of wages or salaries eligible for the federal Targeted Jobs Credit which was not 54 deducted for federal purposes on account of the provisions of § 280C (a) of the Internal Revenue Code. 55

7. Any amount included therein which is foreign source income as defined in § 58.1-302.

56 8. [Repealed.] ENROLLED

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57 9. [Expired.]

58 10. Any amount included therein less than \$600 from a prize awarded by the State Lottery 59 Department.

60 11. The wages or salaries received by any person for active and inactive service in the National 61 Guard of the Commonwealth of Virginia, not to exceed the amount of income derived from thirty-nine 62 39 calendar days of such service or \$3,000, whichever amount is less; however, only those persons in the ranks of O3 and below shall be entitled to the deductions specified herein. 63

64 12. Amounts received by an individual, not to exceed \$1,000 in any taxable year, as a reward for 65 information provided to a law-enforcement official or agency, or to a nonprofit corporation created exclusively to assist such law-enforcement official or agency, in the apprehension and conviction of 66 67 perpetrators of crimes. This provision shall not apply to the following: an individual who is an employee 68 of, or under contract with, a law-enforcement agency, a victim or the perpetrator of the crime for which 69 the reward was paid, or any person who is compensated for the investigation of crimes or accidents.

13. [Repealed.]

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71 14. (Expires for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2004.) The amount of any qualified 72 agricultural contribution as determined in § 58.1-322.2. 73

15. [Repealed.]

74 16. The amounts of self-employment tax required to be added in computing Virginia taxable income 75 for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1990, but before January 1, 1994, pursuant to 76 subdivision B 8 of this section, as follows:

77 a. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1994, and before January 1, 1995, the amount 78 of self-employment tax added to federal adjusted gross income in taxable years beginning on and after 79 January 1, 1990, and before January 1, 1991;

80 b. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1995, and before January 1, 1996, the amount of self employment tax added to federal adjusted gross income in taxable years beginning on and after 81 January 1, 1991, and before January 1, 1992; 82

83 e. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1996, and before January 1, 1997, the amount 84 of self-employment tax added to federal adjusted gross income in taxable years beginning on and after 85 January 1, 1992, and before January 1, 1993;

d. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1997, and before January 1, 1998, the amount 86 87 of self employment tax added to federal adjusted gross income in taxable years beginning on and after 88 January 1, 1993, and before January 1, 1994, and any amount of self-employment tax required to be 89 added back for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1990, and before January 1, 1994, which 90 was not subtracted in those taxable years.

91 17. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1995, the amount of "qualified research expenses" or "basic research expenses" eligible for deduction for federal purposes, but which were not 92 93 deducted, on account of the provisions of § 280C (c) of the Internal Revenue Code and which shall be available to partners, shareholders of S corporations, and members of limited liability companies to the 94 extent and in the same manner as other deductions may pass through to such partners, shareholders, and 95 96 members.

97 18. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1995, all military pay and allowances, not 98 otherwise subtracted under this subsection, earned for any month during any part of which such member performed military service in any part of the former Yugoslavia, including the air space above such 99 location or any waters subject to related naval operations, in support of Operation JOINT ENDEAVOR 100 101 as part of the NATO Peace Keeping Force. Such subtraction shall be available until the taxpayer 102 completes such service.

103 19. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1996, any income received during the taxable 104 year derived from a qualified pension, profit-sharing, or stock bonus plan as described by § 401 of the Internal Revenue Code, an individual retirement account or annuity established under § 408 of the 105 106 Internal Revenue Code, a deferred compensation plan as defined by § 457 of the Internal Revenue Code, or any federal government retirement program, the contributions to which were deductible from the 107 taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income, but only to the extent the contributions to such plan or 108 109 program were subject to taxation under the income tax in another state.

110 20. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1997, any income attributable to a distribution of benefits or a refund from a prepaid tuition contract or savings trust account with the 111 Virginia College Savings Plan, created pursuant to Chapter 4.9 (§ 23-38.75 et seq.) of Title 23. The 112 subtraction for any income attributable to a refund shall be limited to income attributable to a refund in 113 114 the event of a beneficiary's death, disability, or receipt of a scholarship.

115 21. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1998, all military pay and allowances, to the 116 extent included in federal adjusted gross income and not otherwise subtracted, deducted or exempted under this section, earned by military personnel while serving by order of the President of the United 117

118 States with the consent of Congress in a combat zone or qualified hazardous duty area which is treated 119 as a combat zone for federal tax purposes pursuant to § 112 of the Internal Revenue Code.

120 22. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2000, the gain derived from the sale or 121 exchange of real property or the sale or exchange of an easement to real property which results in the 122 real property or the easement thereto being devoted to open-space use, as that term is defined in 123 § 58.1-3230, for a period of time not less than thirty 30 years. To the extent a subtraction is taken in 124 accordance with this subdivision, no tax credit under this chapter for donating land for its preservation 125 shall be allowed for three years following the year in which the subtraction is taken.

126 23. Effective for all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2000, \$15,000 of military basic pay for military service personnel on extended active duty for periods in excess of ninety 90 days; 127 128 however, the subtraction amount shall be reduced dollar-for-dollar by the amount which the taxpayer's 129 military basic pay exceeds \$15,000 and shall be reduced to zero if such military basic pay amount is 130 equal to or exceeds \$30,000.

131 24. Effective for all taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2000, the first \$15,000 of salary 132 for each federal and state employee whose annual salary is \$15,000 or less. 133

25. Unemployment benefits taxable pursuant to § 85 of the Internal Revenue Code.

134 26. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2001, any amount received as military 135 retirement income by an individual awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor.

136 27. Effective for all taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1999, income received as a 137 result of (i) the "Master Settlement Agreement," as defined in § 3.1-1106; (ii) the National Tobacco 138 Grower Settlement Trust dated July 19, 1999; and (iii) the Tobacco Loss Assistance Program, pursuant 139 to 7 C.F.R. Part 1464 (Subpart C, §§ 1464.201 through 1464.205), by (a) tobacco farmers; (b) any **140** person holding a tobacco marketing quota, or tobacco farm acreage allotment, under the Agricultural 141 Adjustment Act of 1938; or (c) any person having the right to grow tobacco pursuant to such a quota or 142 allotment, but only to the extent that such income has not been subtracted pursuant to subdivision C 18 143 of § 58.1-402.

144 28. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2000, items of income attributable to, derived from or in any way related to (i) assets stolen from, hidden from or otherwise lost by an 145 146 individual who was a victim or target of Nazi persecution or (ii) damages, reparations, or other 147 consideration received by a victim or target of Nazi persecution to compensate such individual for 148 performing labor against his will under the threat of death, during World War II and its prelude and 149 direct aftermath. This subtraction shall not apply to assets acquired with such items of income or with 150 the proceeds from the sale of assets stolen from, hidden from or otherwise lost to, during World War II 151 and its prelude and direct aftermath, a victim or target of Nazi persecution. The provisions of this 152 subdivision shall only apply to an individual who was the first recipient of such items of income and 153 who was a victim or target of Nazi persecution, or a spouse, widow, widower, or child or stepchild of 154 such victim.

155 "Victim or target of Nazi persecution" means any individual persecuted or targeted for persecution by 156 the Nazi regime who had assets stolen from, hidden from or otherwise lost as a result of any act or 157 omission in any way relating to (i) the Holocaust; (ii) World War II and its prelude and direct 158 aftermath; (iii) transactions with or actions of the Nazi regime; (iv) treatment of refugees fleeing Nazi 159 persecution; or (v) the holding of such assets by entities or persons in the Swiss Confederation during 160 World War II and its prelude and aftermath. A victim or target of Nazi persecution shall also include 161 any individual forced into labor against his will, under the threat of death, during World War II and its 162 prelude and direct aftermath. As used in this subdivision, "Nazi regime" means the country of Nazi Germany, areas occupied by Nazi Germany, those European countries allied with Nazi Germany, or any 163 164 other neutral European country or area in Europe under the influence or threat of Nazi invasion.

165 D. In computing Virginia taxable income there shall be deducted from federal adjusted gross income: 166 1. a. The amount allowable for itemized deductions for federal income tax purposes where the 167 taxpayer has elected for the taxable year to itemize deductions on his federal return, but reduced by the 168 amount of income taxes imposed by the Commonwealth or any other taxing jurisdiction and deducted 169 on such federal return and increased by an amount which, when added to the amount deducted under 170 § 170 of the Internal Revenue Code for mileage, results in a mileage deduction at the state level for 171 such purposes at a rate of eighteen \$.18 cents per mile; or

172 b. Two thousand dollars for taxable years beginning January 1, 1987, through December 31, 1987; 173 \$2,700 for taxable years beginning January 1, 1988, through December 31, 1988; and \$5,000 for 174 married persons (one-half of such amounts in the case of a married individual filing a separate return); and \$3,000 for single individuals for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1989; provided that 175 176 the taxpayer has not itemized deductions for the taxable year on his federal income tax return. For 177 purposes of this section, any person who may be claimed as a dependent on another taxpayer's return for 178 the taxable year may compute the deduction only with respect to earned income.

179 2. a. A deduction in the amount of \$700 for taxable years beginning January 1, 1987, through
180 December 31, 1987, and \$800 for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1988, for each
181 personal exemption allowable to the taxpayer for federal income tax purposes. For taxable years
182 beginning on and after January 1, 1987, each blind or aged taxpayer as defined under § 63 (f) of the
183 Internal Revenue Code shall be entitled to an additional personal exemption.

b. An additional deduction of \$200 for taxable years beginning January 1, 1987, through December
31, 1987, for each blind or aged taxpayer as defined under § 63 (f) of the Internal Revenue Code. The
additional deduction for blind or aged taxpayers allowed under this subdivision and the additional
personal exemption allowed to blind or aged taxpayers under subdivision 2 a of this subsection shall be
allowable regardless of whether the taxpayer itemizes deductions for the taxable year for federal income
tax purposes.

190 3. A deduction equal to the amount of employment-related expenses upon which the federal credit is
191 based under § 21 of the Internal Revenue Code for expenses for household and dependent care services
192 necessary for gainful employment.

4. An additional \$1,000 deduction for each child residing for the entire taxable year in a home under
permanent foster care placement as defined in § 63.2-908, provided the taxpayer can also claim the child
as a personal exemption under § 151 of the Internal Revenue Code.

196 5. Effective for all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1996, a deduction in the amount of
197 \$12,000 for taxpayers age sixty-five 65 or older, or \$6,000 for taxpayers age sixty-two 62 through
198 sixty-four 64.

6. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1997, the amount an individual pays as a fee
for an initial screening to become a possible bone marrow donor, if (i) the individual is not reimbursed
for such fee or (ii) the individual has not claimed a deduction for the payment of such fee on his federal
income tax return.

203 7. a. A deduction shall be allowed to the purchaser or contributor for the amount paid or contributed 204 during the taxable year for a prepaid tuition contract or savings trust account entered into with the Virginia College Savings Plan, pursuant to Chapter 4.9 (§ 23-38.75 et seq.) of Title 23. Except as 205 206 provided in subdivision 7 c, the amount deducted on any individual income tax return in any taxable 207 year shall be limited to \$2,000 per prepaid tuition contract or savings trust account. No deduction shall 208 be allowed pursuant to this section if such payments or contributions are deducted on the purchaser's or 209 contributor's federal income tax return. If the purchase price or annual contribution to a savings trust 210 account exceeds \$2,000, the remainder may be carried forward and subtracted in future taxable years 211 until the purchase price or savings trust contribution has been fully deducted; however, except as 212 provided in subdivision 7 c, in no event shall the amount deducted in any taxable year exceed \$2,000 213 per contract or savings trust account. Notwithstanding the statute of limitations on assessments contained 214 in § 58.1-312, any deduction taken hereunder shall be subject to recapture in the taxable year or years in 215 which distributions or refunds are made for any reason other than (i) to pay qualified higher education expenses, as defined in § 529 of the Internal Revenue Code or (ii) the beneficiary's death, disability, or 216 receipt of a scholarship. For the purposes of this subdivision, the term "purchaser" or "contributor" 217 218 means the person shown as such on the records of the Virginia College Savings Plan as of December 31 219 of the taxable year. In the case of a transfer of ownership of a prepaid tuition contract or savings trust 220 account, the transferee shall succeed to the transferor's tax attributes associated with a prepaid tuition 221 contract or savings trust account, including, but not limited to, carryover and recapture of deductions.

b. The amount paid for a prepaid tuition contract during taxable years beginning on or after January
1, 1996, but before January 1, 1998, shall be deducted in taxable years beginning on or after January 1,
1998, and shall be subject to the limitations set out in subdivision 7 a.

225 c. A purchaser of a prepaid tuition contract or contributor to a savings trust account who has attained 226 age seventy 70 shall not be subject to the limitation that the amount of the deduction not exceed \$2,000227 per prepaid tuition contract or savings trust account in any taxable year. Such taxpayer shall be allowed 228 a deduction for the full amount paid for the contract or contributed to a savings trust account, less any 229 amounts previously deducted. If a prepaid tuition contract was purchased by such taxpayer during 230 taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1996, but before January 1, 1998, such taxpayer may take 231 the deduction for the full amount paid during such years, less any amounts previously deducted with 232 respect to such payments, in taxable year 1999 or by filing an amended return for taxable year 1998.

8. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2000, the total amount an individual actually
contributed in funds to the Virginia Public School Construction Grants Program and Fund, established in
Chapter 11.1 (§ 22.1-175.1 et seq.) of Title 22.1, provided the individual has not claimed a deduction for
such amount on his federal income tax return.

237 9. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1999, an amount equal to twenty 20 percent
238 of the tuition costs incurred by an individual employed as a primary or secondary school teacher
239 licensed pursuant to Chapter 15 (§ 22.1-289.1 et seq.) of Title 22.1 to attend continuing teacher

- education courses that are required as a condition of employment; however, the deduction provided by 240 241 this subsection shall be available only if (i) the individual is not reimbursed for such tuition costs and 242 (ii) the individual has not claimed a deduction for the payment of such tuition costs on his federal 243 income tax return.
- 244 10. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2000, the amount an individual pays 245 annually in premiums for long term health care insurance, provided the individual has not claimed a deduction for federal income tax purposes. 246
- E. There shall be added to or subtracted from federal adjusted gross income, as the case may be, the 247 248 individual's share, as beneficiary of an estate or trust, of the Virginia fiduciary adjustment determined 249 under § 58.1-361.
- 250 F. There shall be added or subtracted, as the case may be, the amounts provided in § 58.1-315 as 251 transitional modifications.